

Ethics Code Development Committee – Town of Weare

Minutes (draft copy) for September 12, 2005

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 PM by John McCausland, Chairman.

Present: Bill Alleman, David Erikson, John McCausland, Will Townsend

Absent: Deborah Moore

Members of the committee introduced themselves for benefit of the television audience.

By common consent the agenda proposed by the Chairman was adopted.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the meeting of August 29 be approved as printed and the Secretary was instructed to file a copy of the materials made available at that meeting with the permanent copy of the minutes.

By common consent it was agreed to proceed with the items in the “Mandate from the Selectmen” commencing with “establish standards of conduct”.

By common consent it was agreed to utilize “Dunbarton’s Code of Ethics” as a basis for proceeding, interpolating other ideas and editing as deemed appropriate, preceded by a preamble adapted from the “City of Elk Grove California City Council Code of Ethics”.

Detailed discussion ensued through the following sections of the Dunbarton code:

Purpose

- I. Code Provisions
- II. Definitions (to be omitted)
- III. Exclusions

Following the detailed discussion, by common consent it was agreed that the Secretary be empowered to prepare and circulate before the next meeting a draft copy of the portions of the code as discussed so far.

By common consent it was agreed to proceed at subsequent meetings toward preparation of complete draft copies of a code and warrant article in fulfillment of the Selectmen’s mandate, to be followed by inviting guests to discuss the draft copies with us, the guests to include representatives of (1) the Municipal Association, (2) the Dunbarton Ethics Committee, (3) Terry Knowles from the Attorney General’s office, and (4) members of the Weare Board of Selectmen.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:43 PM.

Attested by Will Townsend, Secretary